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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

CHIEKO MIHARA, ET AL.

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Filed: April 20, 2005

For: CHARGE CONTROLLING  
AGENT CONTAINING NOVEL  
POLYHYDROXYALKANOATE  
CONTAINING UNIT  
CONTAINING CARBOXYL  
GROUP ON SIDE CHAIN IN  
MOLECULE, TONER BINDER  
AND TONER, AND IMAGE  
FORMATION METHOD AND  
IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS  
USING TONER

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Examiner: Samuel A. Acquah

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Group Art Unit: 1711

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June 22, 2006

Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed foreign documents and articles are also enclosed.

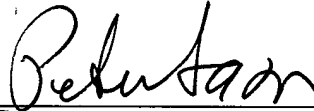
The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English documents is found in the specification where cited, in an attached abstract and/or in a corresponding U.S. patent document.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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